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Four photographs purporting to show an atomic power plant in the USSR appeared in the Peiping Jen-min Jih-pao, 5 February 1955.

The same newspaper contains A Hsin-hua She article from TASS, datelined Moscow, 3 February 1955, on the annual work report of the Academy of Sciences USSR. The article highlights the accomplishments of research on the peaceful use of atomic energy. Among several academicians mentioned in the article is Academician Topchiyev, who reported on the completion of the first atomic energy power plant for industrial use. According to the article, the plant belongs to the Academy of Sciences USSR, and produces 5,000 kilowatts to be supplied to surrounding industrial installations.

Captions accompanying the photographs are as follows:

- 1. (Upper right) -- World's first atomic power plant. Outside view of the atomic power plant belonging to the Academy of Sciences USSR. This power plant does not use coal or other fuels to produce heat energy for electric power, but uses atomic energy released when uranium atoms are split in the atomic reactor pile.
- 2. (Lower right) -- Atomic furnace (atomic reactor pile) used in the atomic power plant. The whole furnace is underground and is surrounded by a very thick concrete protection layer so that the workers will not be injured by nuclear fission radiation. Seen in the photograph is the protruding part of the atomic furnace.
- 3. (Upper left) -- The high heat of the atomic reactor pile is used to. convert water in the heat-exchange system into high-pressure steam. The photograph shows a row of heat exchangers.

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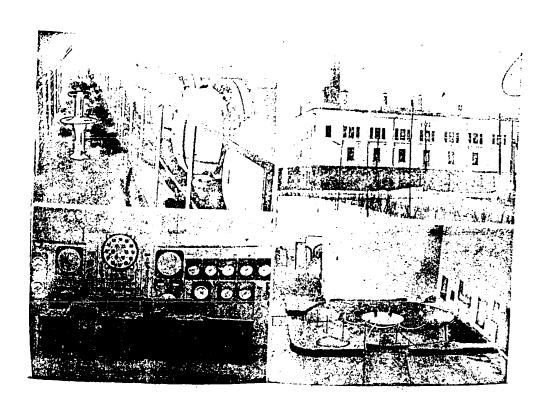
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